

The Office of Inspector General (OIG), Department of Defense (DoD), announced today that on September 6, 2000, Stephen Scott McLemore was sentenced in United States District Court, Northern District of Mississippi, Oxford, Mississippi, to 21 months imprisonment, followed by a term of supervised release of 3 years, ordered to pay \$94,035 in restitution, a \$5,000 fine and a \$100 special assessment fee. McLemore pled guilty to one count of filing false claims to the U.S. Government on February 14, 2000.

McLemore, doing business as Southern Pharmaceutical Consultant and Southern Pharmaceutical Corporation, a durable medical equipment supplier in Columbus, MS, was involved in supplying a physician prescribed inhalant medication to patients but billing TRICARE and Medicare for a different inhalant medication with a higher reimbursement rate.